

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON VOLUNTARY FOREIGN AID

PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, June 7, 2006, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

You are cordially invited to attend the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid's (ACVFA) public meeting. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Cloyd Heck Marvin Center, Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre George Washington University 800 21st Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20052

The closest Metro stop is Foggy Bottom on the Blue and Orange lines. Parking is also available at several garages in the area including the Marvin Center visitor's parking garage which is located between 23rd and 22nd Streets and H and Eye Streets. The visitor entrance to the building is located on Eye Street.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

(Please be advised that the proposed topics are subject to change.)

Transformational Diplomacy and U.S. Foreign Assistance: Ambassador Randall L. Tobias, Director of Foreign Assistance and USAID's Administrator, has been invited to give the keynote address on the role of U.S. foreign assistance in advancing the goals of the Secretary's "Transformational Diplomacy" strategy.

African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) Forum: Lloyd Pierson, USAID's Assistant Administrator for Africa, has been invited to brief the Committee on the concurrent AGOA Forum with particular attention to USAID's role as implementing partner and the impact of the trade hubs on African economic growth.

HIV/AIDS: Recognizing the 25th anniversary of the first diagnosed case of HIV/AIDS, the Committee will receive an update on the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief and the New Partners Initiative. In addition, testing and prevention as well as lessons learned from USAID partners will be discussed. Invited speakers include Dr. Mark Dybul, Acting U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator, and Dr. Timothy Flanigan, Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Department of Medicine, Brown University.

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at www.usaid.gov/about_usaid/acvfa Participants will be able to register on site; however, pre-registration is strongly encouraged. For more information, please contact Kristin Holland at kristin@websterconsulting.com or 202-237-0090 ext. 10, or Jocelyn Rowe at jrowe@usaid.gov.

The ACVFA is an expert body that advises USAID and other U.S. government agencies on international development and humanitarian assistance issues. ACVFA members are private citizens appointed by the USAID Administrator and serve without compensation. The committee's public meetings, held three times per year, serve as forums for consultation between the public and private sectors on a broad range of foreign assistance matters.